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FM AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4818

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FOR FBO AND A/OC

E. O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ACOM NU

SUBJECT: EMBASSY/USAID TELEPHONE SYSTEM

1. THE EMBASSY AND USAID OFFICE INTERCOM TELEPHONE SYSTEMS WHICH CONSIST OF 115 EXTENSIONS AND WHICH ARE MANUFACTURED BY WESTERN ELECTRIC ARE INOPERABLE WHEN THERE IS A CITY ELECTRIC POWER FAILURE, WHICH IS OCCURRING WITH INCREASING FREQUENCY FOR PROLONGED PERIODS OF TIME, FOR ONE HOUR OR MORE. THE EMBASSY/USAID SWITCHBOARD AND PANELS ARE OF GERMAN MANUFACTURE BY SIEMENS.

2. THE LOSS OF INTERCOM FACILITIES RESULTS NOT ONLY IN VALUABLE LOSS OF TIME, BUT SERIOUSLY INTERFERES WITH THE INTERNAL FUNCTION OF THE EMBASSY AND ITS ABILITY TO RESPOND TO AN EMERGENCY.

3. THE SIEMENS TECHNICIANS HAVE INFORMED US THAT THEIR EMERGENCY BATTERY SYSTEM CANNOT OPERATE OUR EMBASSY/USAID INTERCOM TELEPHONES DURING POWER FAILURES UNLESS THE EMBASSY PROCURES AND INSTALLS A WESTERN ELECTRIC BATTERY AND RECTIFIER FOR 110 VOLTS, 60 CYCLE OPERATION.

4. IT IS REQUESTED THAT AN ELECTRIC BATTERY AND RECTIFIER BE FORWARDED BY AIR TO COINCIDE WITH THE ARRIVAL OF AN O/C TELEPHONE TECHNICIAN FOR ITS INSTALLATION.

5. PLEASE ADVISE.

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